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FEATURING

SPIDER-MAN™

AND

MOONDRAGON™

HURRY,
SPIDER-MAN--
I CAN'T HOLD
HIM OFF MUCH
LONGER!

PLUS: **GUEST STARS GALORE!**

HANG ON,
LADY! THE
VISION AND I
STILL HAVE TO
FREE
DR. DOOM!

BUT BEFORE
YOU CAN DO
THAT, YOU WILL
DIE!

KANE &
ADKINS

Stan Lee
presents:

SPIDEY, DR DOOM, The VISION, The SCARLET WITCH...

AND... NOW... ENTER: MOONDRAGON!

DEATH IN THE YEAR BEFORE YESTERDAY!

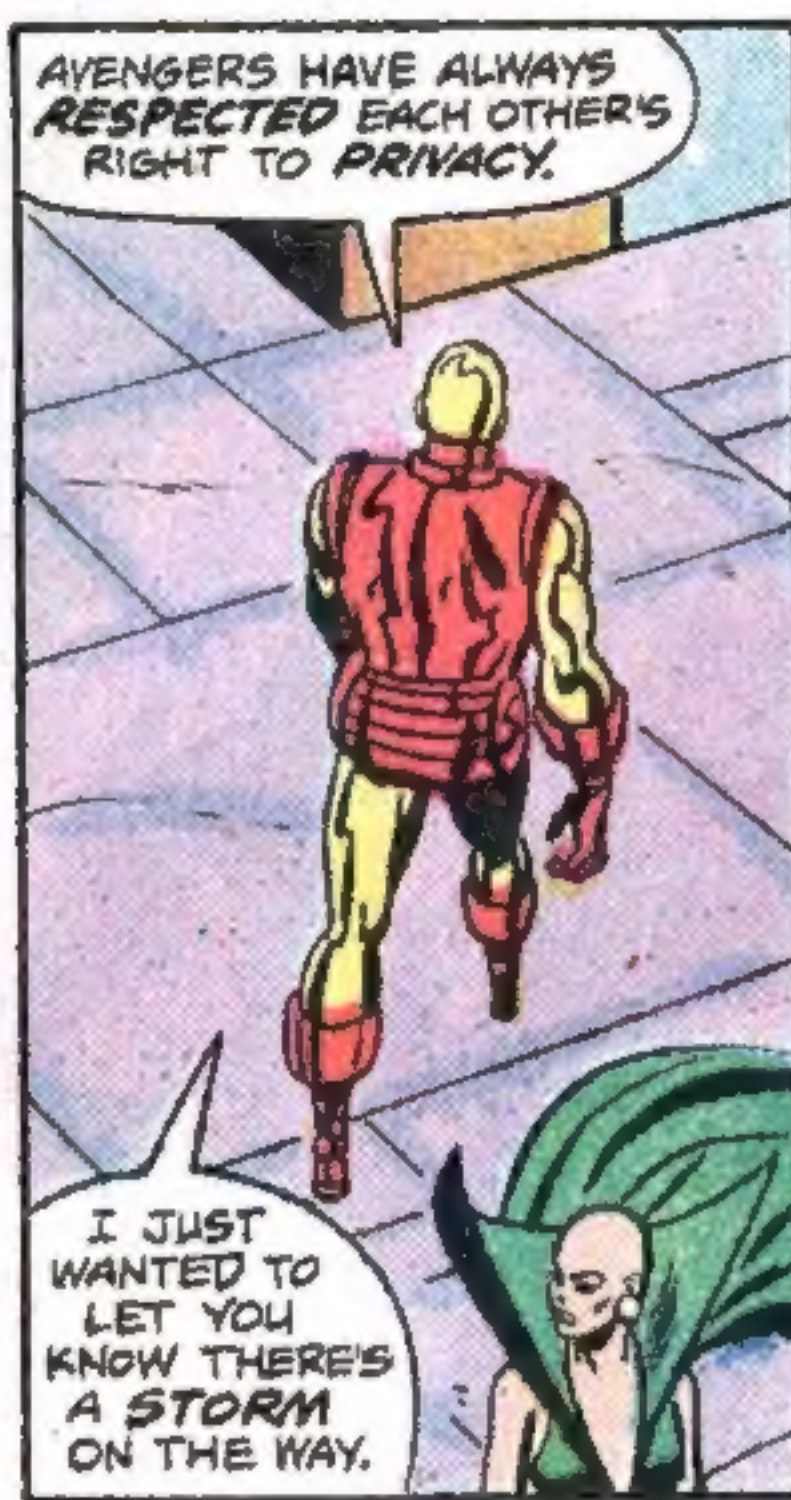
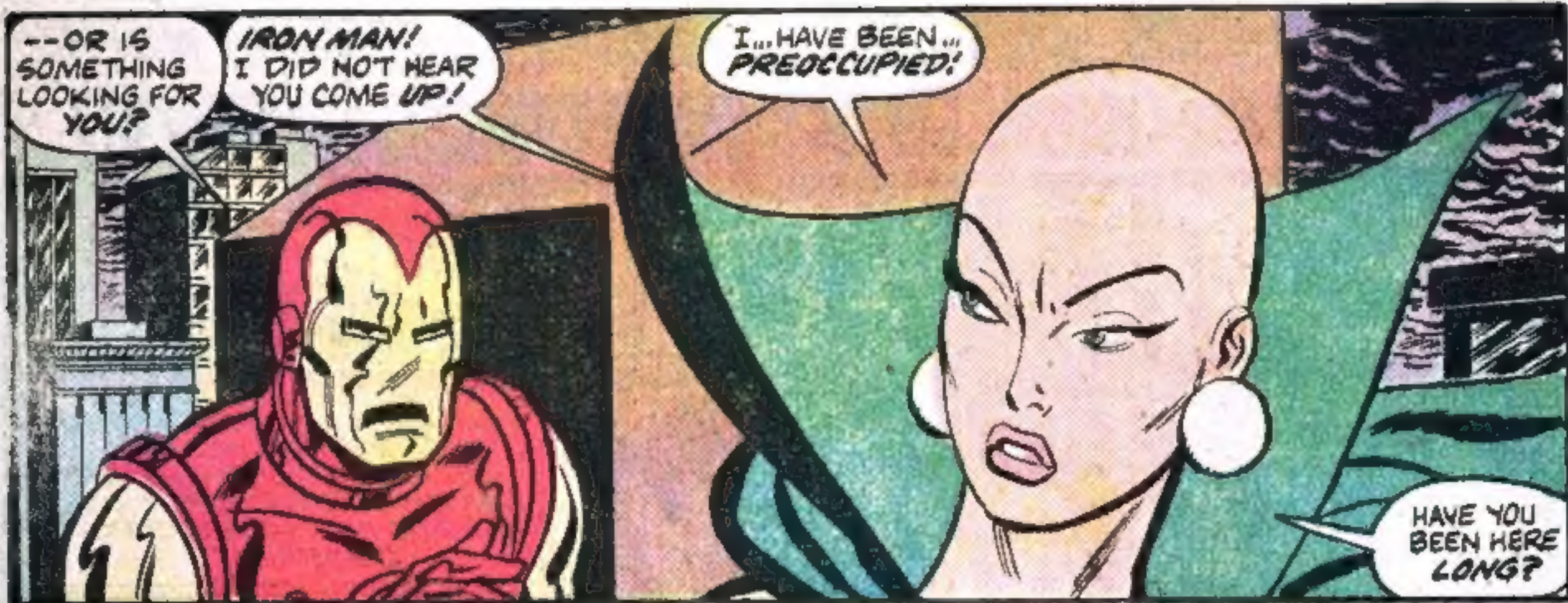
THE STORM'S BEEN BREWING
HIGH OVER MANHATTAN SINCE
SUNDOWN... A ROLLING,
LIGHTNING-SHOT MASS OF
SEETHING DARKNESS THAT
CARRIES IN IT IMAGES OF
DESPAIR!

IMAGES THAT CALL
OUT TO THE TITANESS
MOONDRAGON...
THAT SUMMON HER
WITH ECHOES FROM
THE PAST!

YOU'VE BEEN
STANDING OUT HERE
FOR HOURS, LADY--

-- ALMOST AS IF
YOU'RE LOOKING
FOR SOMETHING--

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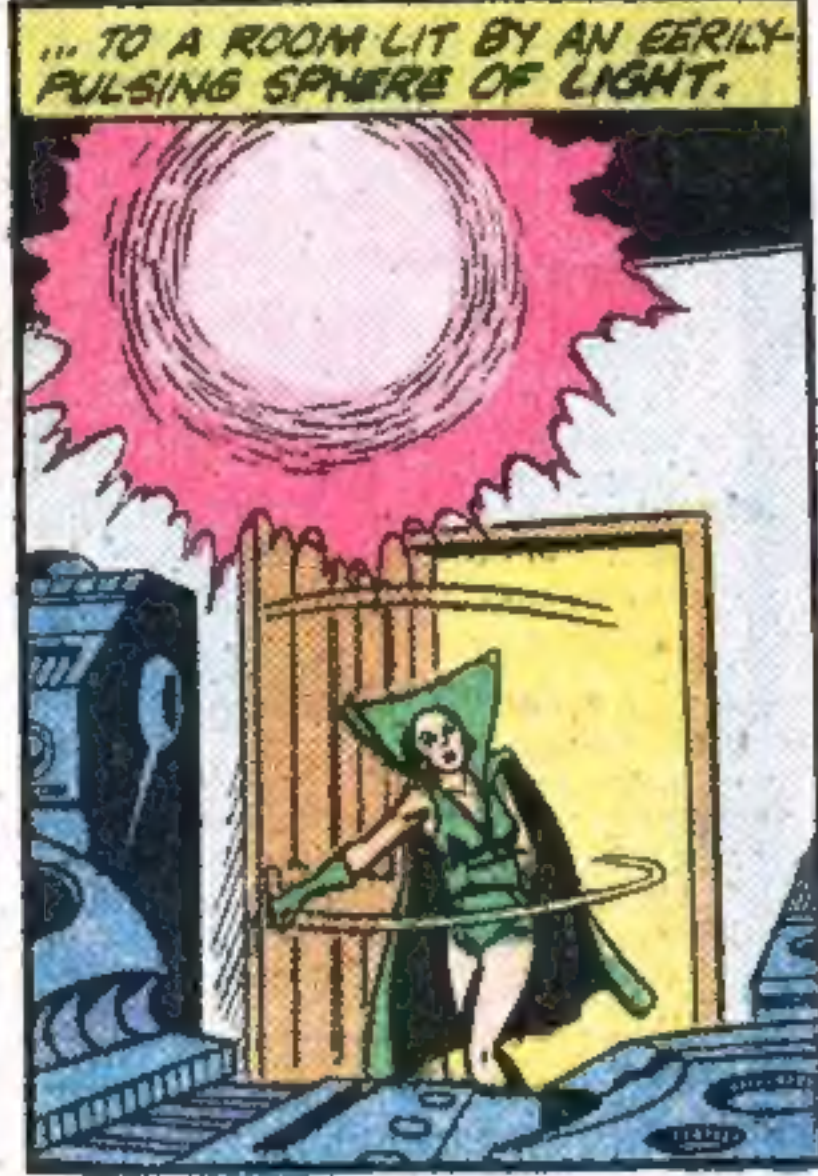


AND YET--
I SEEM TO FIND
SURCEASE FROM
SUFFERING--

-- IF I ALLOW
MYSELF TO
FOLLOW THE
VOICES THAT CALL
WITHIN ME!



AND FOLLOW SHE DOES... DOWN
THE DESERTED CORRIDORS
OF AVENGERS' MANSION...



... TO A ROOM LIT BY AN EERILY
PULSING SPHERE OF LIGHT.



I... AM
COME!

A SPHERE SHE SEES NOT AS THE
MIND-PAIN SWEEPS OVER HER...



... THAT BEGINS TO
DESCEND AS SHE SINKS
TO THE COLD UNYIELDING
FLOOR.



AND SHE WONDERS
AS THE LIGHT SUR-
ROUNDS HER...

... WHY SHE
HASN'T
RESISTED...



... AND THE ONLY
ANSWER SHE CAN
CONJURE FORTH...

... IS THAT THERE
IS NO NEED FOR
RESISTANCE, FOR
SHE HAS SENSED
NO DANGER IN
THE SPHERE...

MERELY
A CALL
FOR HELP...



... LIKE A NOTE
IN A BOTTLE...

... AFLOAT ON THE
SEAS OF TIME...

...UNTIL HE RAN UP ON
THE FAR AND DISTANT
SHORES OF...

I... AM
NO LONGER IN
THE AVENGERS'
HANSON!

...THE PAST!

BUT WHERE,
THEN, AM
I?

AND WHAT, IN
THINGS' MIND
IS THAT??



THE TITAN
PRIESTESS SAYS...

...BUT HER EYES OFFER NO
EXPLANATION OF THE SCENE
SHE SEES BEING ENACTED
BEFORE HER.

A SCENE WHICH RELATES ABOUT
THE PROPHETIC FORMS OF TWO OF HER
FELLOW AVENGERS... THE WISDOM AND
HIS WIFE, THE SCARLET WITCH...

AND ABOUT TWO OTHER BEINGS
SHE KNOWS FROM HER MIND-
PROBES OF THE AVENGERS' FILES
-- SPIDER-MAN AND THE DEADLY
DOCTOR DOOM!

AND SHE DOES NOT NEED THE
EXTRAIDED MIND-POWER OF
ONE BRED ON FAR TITAN TO
KNOW THAT THEY ARE IN
MORTAL DANGER!!



AK, MATHER... YOU ARE
FORTUNATE! FEW MEN HAVE
SERVED ME AS YOU HAVE...
AND LIVED!

THOUGHT YOU TO EVER SEE
SUCH POWER WHEN I SENT
YOU FORTH FROM THIS MIS-
ERABLE SEVENTEENTH-CENTURY
SALEM OF YOURS AS MY
EMISSARY TO THE FUTURE?



YOUR MISSION WAS TO
SEEK OUT THOSE WITH THE
POWER OF WITCHCRAFT...
AS YOU HAD SOUGHT THEM
OUT IN YOUR OWN TIME--

-- AND TO RETURN THEM
HERE TO ME! AND RETURN
YOU DID--WITH THE SCARLET
WITCH BORN TO DARK MAGIC
AND DR. DOOM, WHOSE MOTHER
PASSED THE BLACK ARTS TO HER
SON! THEY CONTAIN POWER, MATHER--

--POWER THE DARK RIDER CARRIES!

A POWER THAT WILL MAKE HIM
MASTER OF ALL ETERNITY!!

BUT, OF COURSE, YOU COULD NOT POSSIBLY UNDERSTAND, COULD YOU, MATHER?

STILL, IT IS ONLY FITTING THAT, AS IT WAS YOU WHO PREACHED MY COMING--

-- YOU WHO UNLEASHED THE WITCH-RIOTS IN MY NAME--*

*BOY, IF YOU MISSED THE LAST TWO ISSUES ARE YOU GONNA BE SORRY NOW--MAY.

-- THAT IT SHOULD BE YOU, COTTON MATHER, WHO PLUNGES THE SOUL-BLADE INTO THESE BEINGS!

AND AS IT DRAWS THEIR LIVES AND POWERS FROM THEM--

--IT WILL BE YOU, MATHER, WHO SHRIEKS THE GLORY AND COMING OF THE DARK RIDER TO THE STARS!

I...

THE BLADE WAITS, MATHER!

HEAR YOU NOT ITS LOW MOANING?

IT HUNGERS-- IT WILL NOT BE DENIED!

LORD OF HOSTS...

IT IS TOO LATE FOR THAT! SLAY THEM!

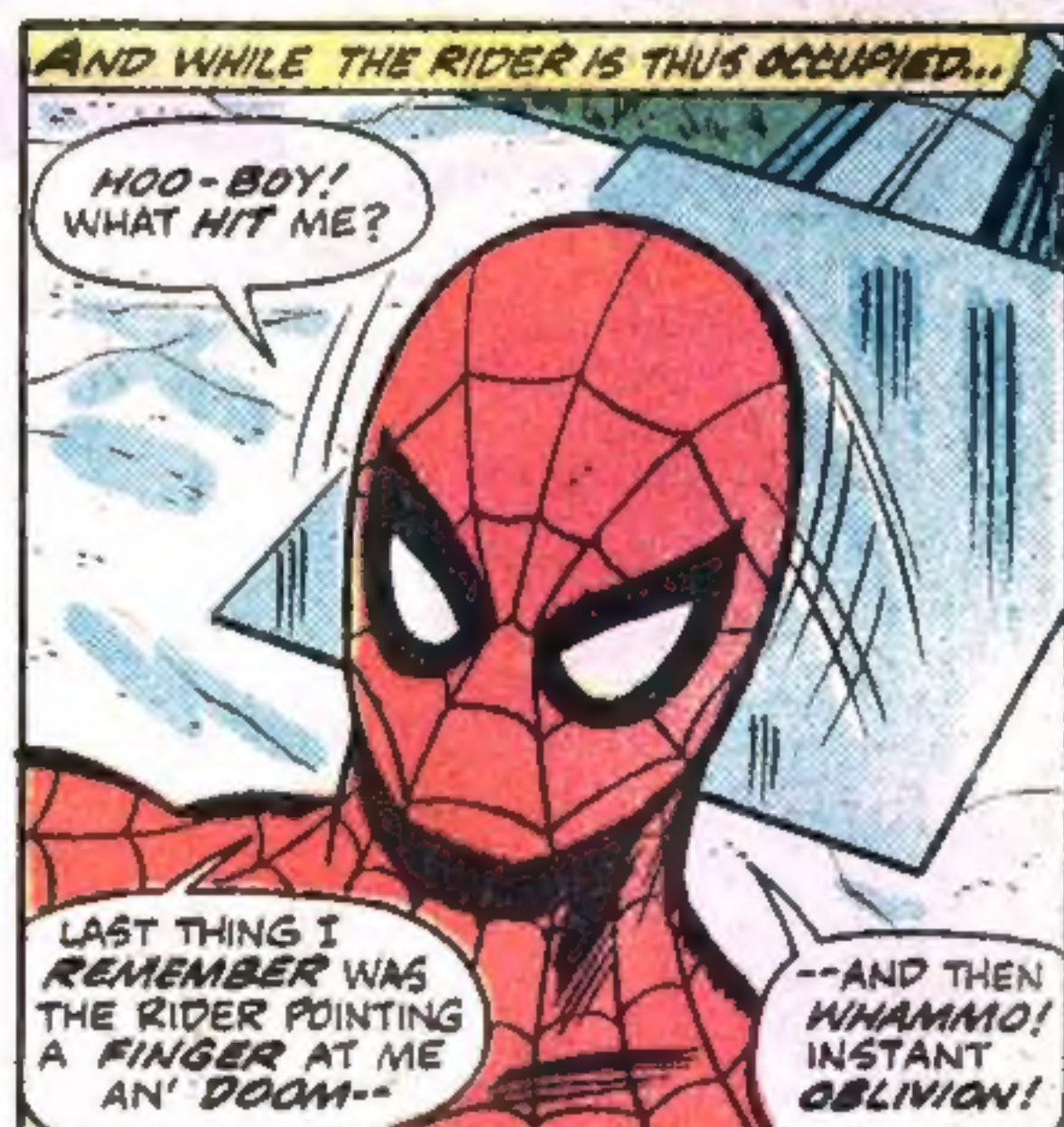
LET THE BLADE DRAW THEIR STRENGTH!

LET IT FLOW INTO ME!

FORGIVE ME...

FORGIVE ME!!

THE BLADE! IT--IT SCREAMS!



WHOA, WEB-SLINGER!
GO BACK A STEP! THIS
IS SALEM, MASSACHUSETTS
...1692!

THE YEAR OF
THE SALEM
WITCH-
TRIALS!

THE RIDER SENT MATHER
TO GET THE SCARLET WITCH--
THE VISION AND I FOLLOWED
USING DOC DOOM'S TIME-
PLATFORM--

--AND THEN DOOM
HIMSELF FOLLOWED--
ONLY TO GET ZAPPED
ALONG WITH THE REST
OF US BY THAT WEIRDO
WHO CALLS HIMSELF
THE DARK RIDER!

AND AS IF ALL THAT
WASN'T BAD ENOUGH
-- I WAKE UP ON WHAT
LOOKS SUSPICIOUSLY
LIKE AN ALTAR--

--IN TIME TO SEE
THE RIDER GET
BLASTED BY A SIX-
FOOT TALL BALD
AMAZON!

SHE IS CALLED
MOONDRAGON, SPIDER-
MAN... I -- I THINK SOME-
HOW IT WAS I WHO
SUMMONED HER--

--WITH MY LAST
HEX-- BEFORE I
COLLAPSED!

THE SAME WAY YOU
WHISKED ME OUT OF
FUN CITY TO DOOM'S
CASTLE! *OKAY, LADY
...I'LL BUY THAT!

AND WHILE MOON-
DRAGON KEEPS THE RIDER
BUSY-- HOW 'BOUT IF WE
WORK OUT A WAY TO
FREE DOOM!

FREE...?
OH!!

* TEAM-
UP #42
--MARY.

YEP, DOOM'S GOT
THE POWER THE
RIDER WANTS--

--AND I'VE GOT ME A
HUNCH THAT BUBBLE
THE DOC'S FLOATING
IN IS DRAINING OFF
DOOM'S STRENGTH--

--AND FEEDING IT
RIGHT INTO THE RIDER!

AND WE WERE
TO BE NEXT! HOW
CAN WE STOP A
BEING--

A GOOD QUESTION, THAT... THE PARAMETERS
OF WHICH AN AVENGER CALLED MOONDRAGON
IS EXPLORING AT THAT VERY INSTANT.

FALL,
BLAST
YOU!

WHY
DON'T YOU
FALL??

BECAUSE I
AM THE RIDER,
WOMAN--

--WHO CAN USE
OUR OWN POWER
TO DESTROY
US ALL?

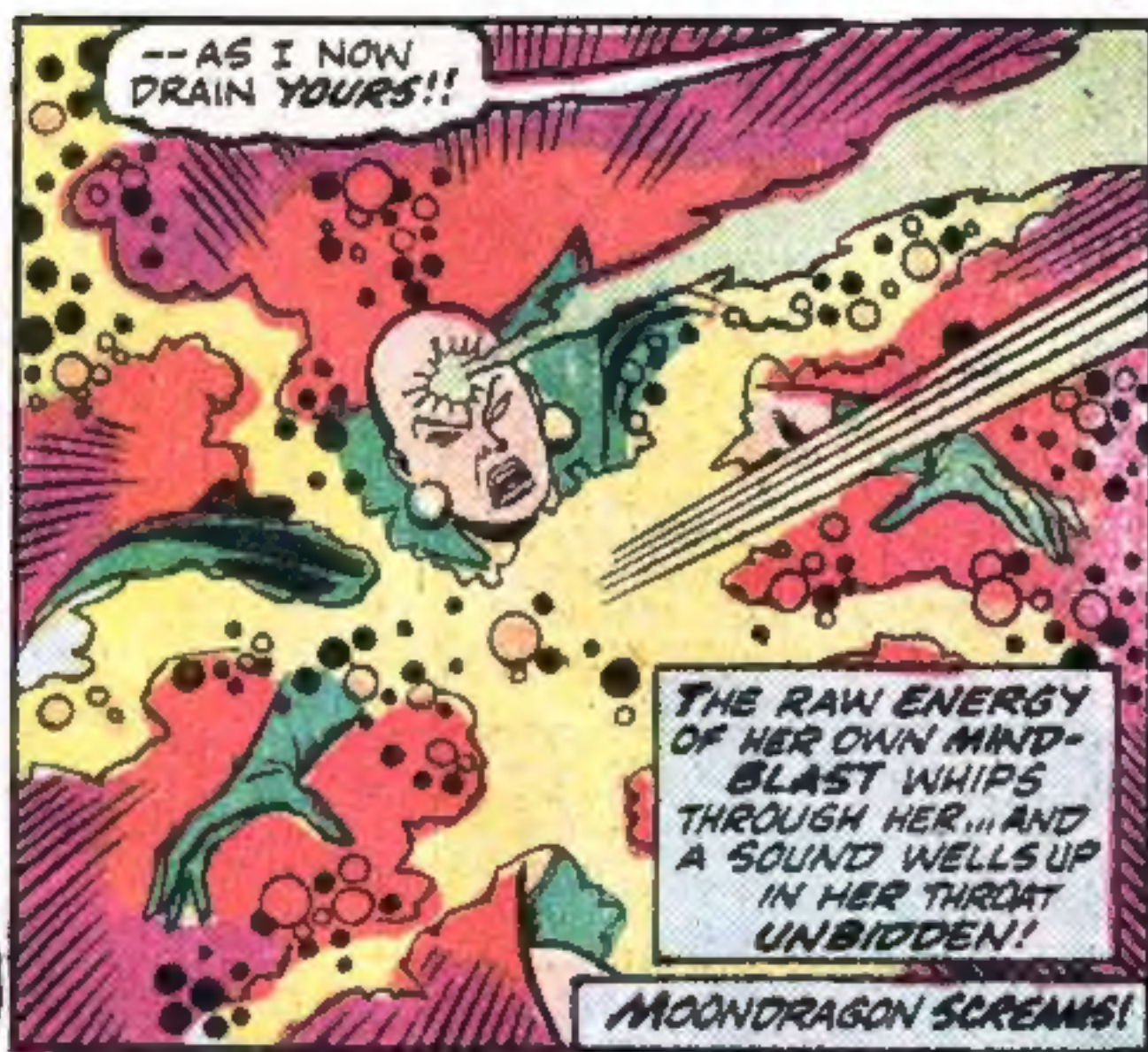


--ONE WHO RIDES THE VERY SEAS OF TIME!

WHOSE VERY POWER AND PURPOSE IS SIMPLY TO BE--

--ETERNALLY!

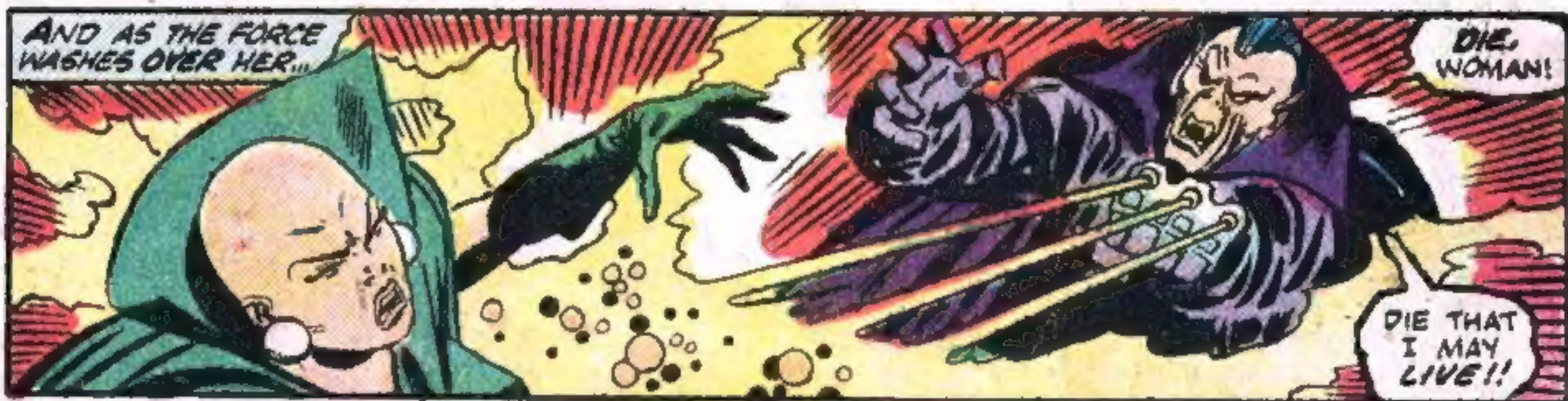
--AND TO BE I MUST DRAW MY POWER FROM OTHERS--



--AS I NOW DRAIN YOURS!!

THE RAW ENERGY OF HER OWN MIND-BLAST WHIPS THROUGH HER... AND A SOUND WELLS UP IN HER THROAT UNBIDDEN!

MOONDRAGON SCREAMS!



AND AS THE FORCE WASHES OVER HER...

DIE, WOMAN!

DIE THAT I MAY LIVE!!



...SHE BEGINS TO "SEE" WITHIN THE MIND OF THE BEING WITH WHOM SHE IS LOCKED IN MORTAL COMBAT.

SHE RIDES WITH HIM UPON THE CURRENTS OF THE AGES...

...PAST JEWELLED NEBULAE AND HOLES AS BLACK AS NIGHT...

...AND SHE SCREAMS AGAIN, THIS EARTH-BORN, ALIEN-BRED AVENGER...

...AT A SIGHT NO MORTAL WAS EVER MEANT TO SEE.

MOONDRAWN PLAYS A TRICK
WITHIN A TRICK.

THE DREAM OF
THE DARK RIDER,
AND THE END OF
THE AGE OF THE
WIZARD-POWER.

ACT I: HIDDEN
THEY BOUND THE
DREAMS OF THEIR
TIME... BUT IN SO
BRIEF (BECAUSE
OF THE MANNER
IN WHICH IT WAS
DONE)...
THEY BECAME LIKE
UNTO THE DEVILS
THEMSELVES...

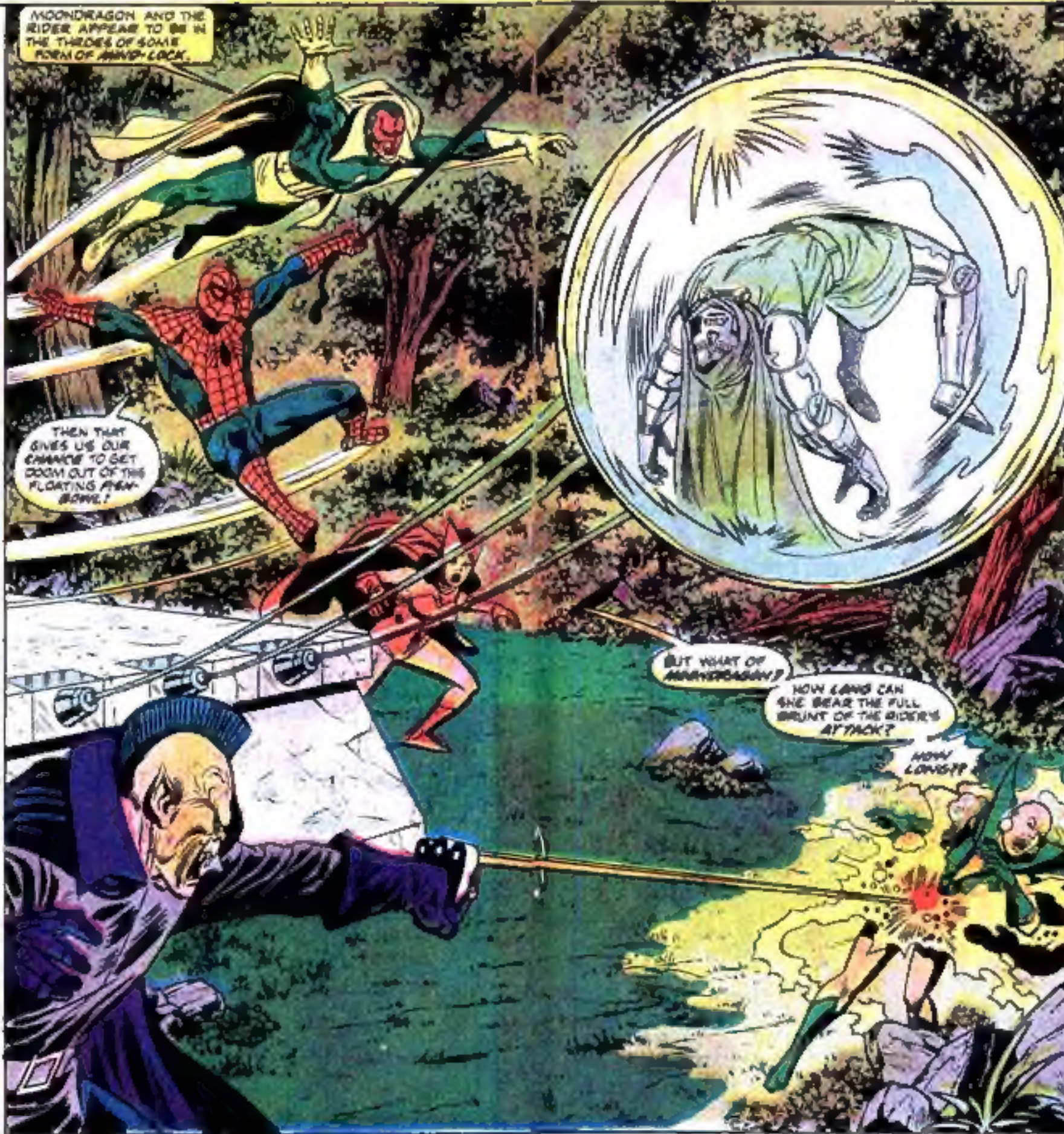
THEY BECAME LIKE
UNTO THE DEVILS
THEMSELVES...



...MISTERS OF THE DARK PLACES
OF SCIENCE, WITCHCRAFT... AND
TIME, LOCKED AWAY IN BLACK
POWERS... RULING THE WORLD
AND LIFE-FORMS BELOW THEM...

...UNTIL THOSE LIFE-FORMS HAD
HAD ENOUGH!

MOONDRAWN AND THE
RIDER APPEAR TO BE IN
THE THROES OF SOME
FORM OF MIND-LOCK.



THEN THAT
GIVES US OUR
CHANCE TO GET
DOWN OUT OF THE
FLOATING ARM-
BOWEL!

BUT WHAT OF
MOONDRAWN?

HOW LONG CAN
SHE BEAR THE FULL
BRUNT OF THE RIDER'S
ATTACK?

HOW
LONG??

ACT II: THE
TOWERS FALL...
THE WIZARDS
DIED...

...SAFE FOR ONE
THE STRONGEST...
THE DARKEST...
THE LORD OF THE
TIME-STREAM INTO
WHICH HE FLEW...



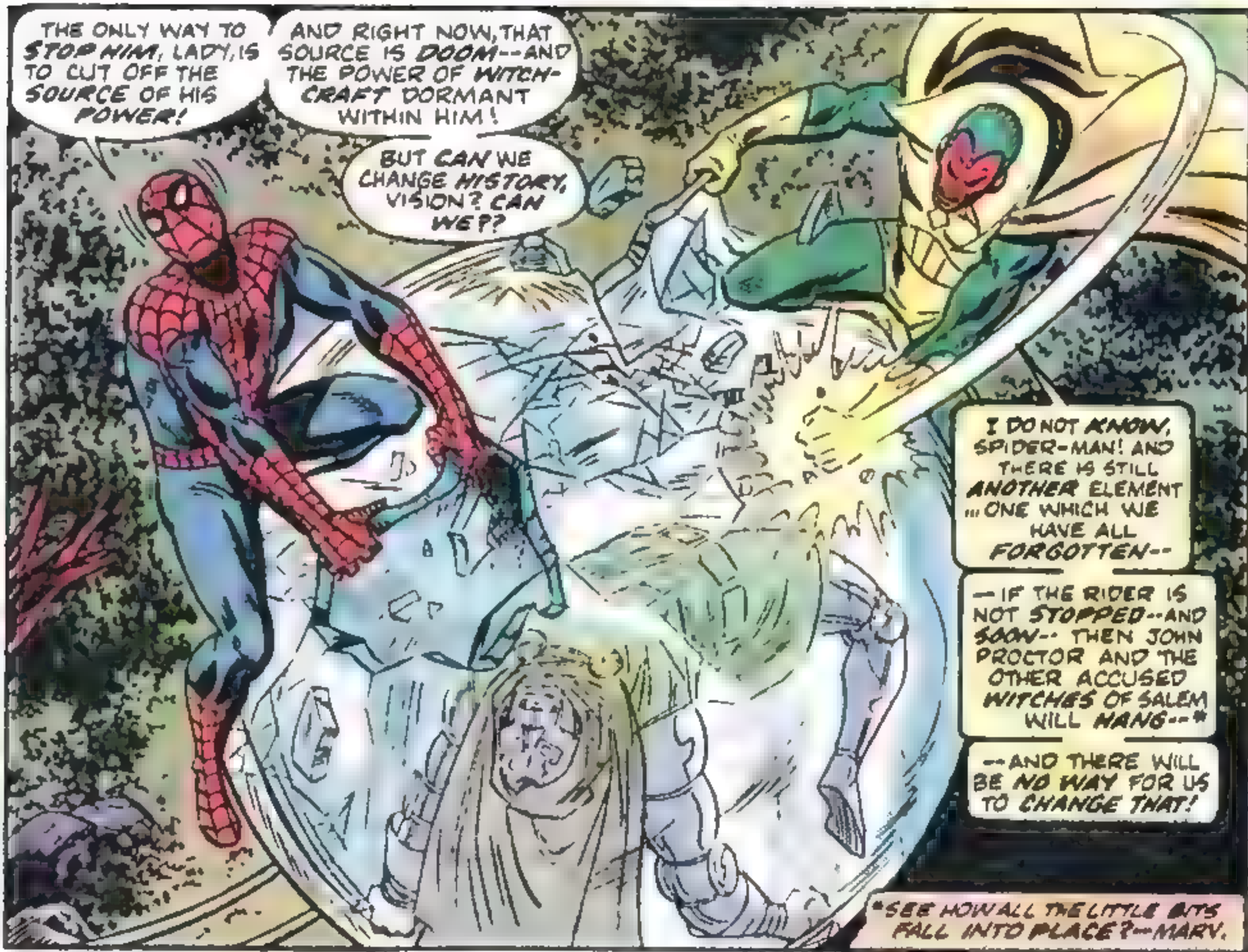
IN THE
DARK
RIDERS!

AND THE WORLD HE
LEFT WAS THE FIRST
AGE OF DARK!

END OF ACT.



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THE ONLY WAY TO STOP HIM, LADY, IS TO CUT OFF THE SOURCE OF HIS POWER!

AND RIGHT NOW, THAT SOURCE IS DOOM--AND THE POWER OF WITCH-CRAFT DORMANT WITHIN HIM!

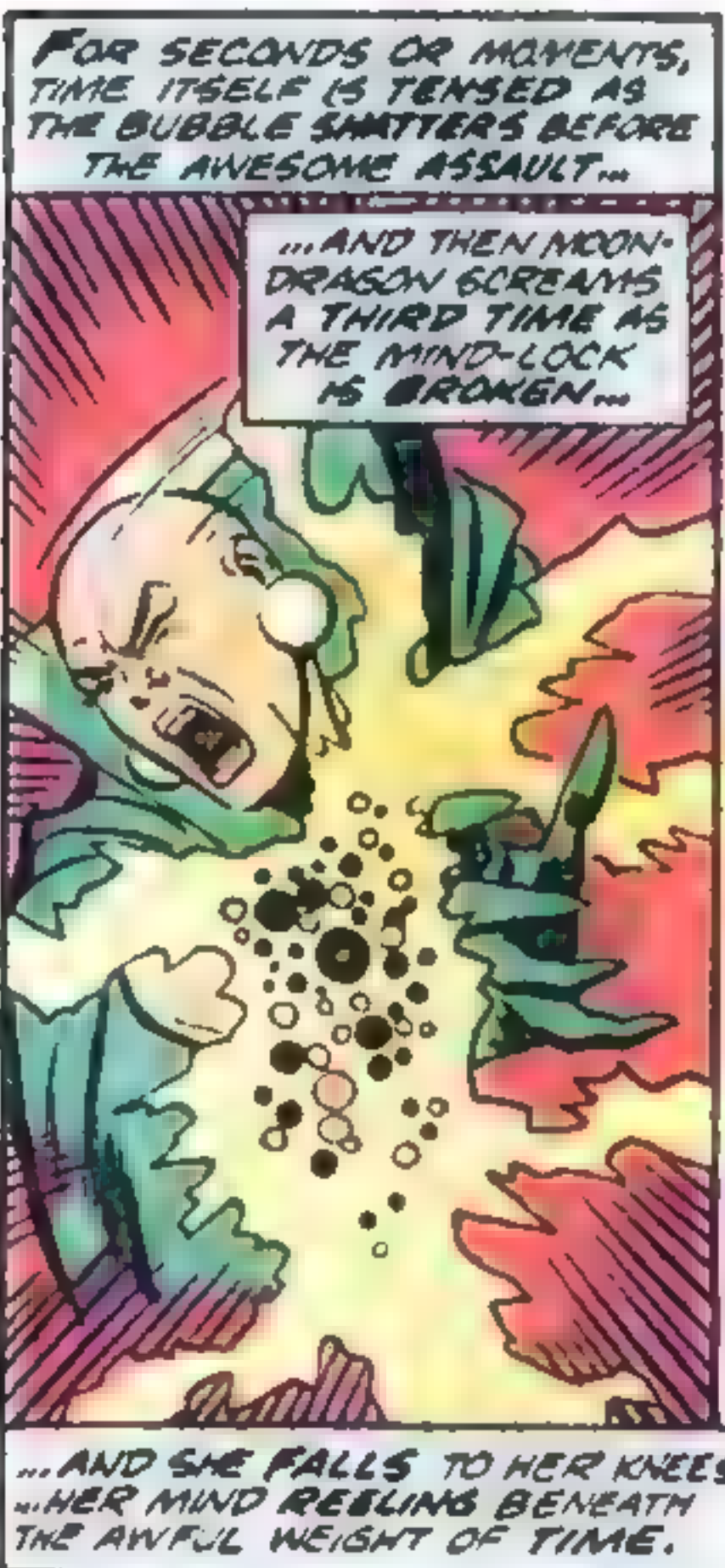
BUT CAN WE CHANGE HISTORY, VISION? CAN WE??

I DO NOT KNOW, SPIDER-MAN! AND THERE IS STILL ANOTHER ELEMENT ... ONE WHICH WE HAVE ALL FORGOTTEN--

-- IF THE RIDER IS NOT STOPPED--AND SOON-- THEN JOHN PROCTOR AND THE OTHER ACCUSED WITCHES OF SALEM WILL HANG--

--AND THERE WILL BE NO WAY FOR US TO CHANGE THAT!

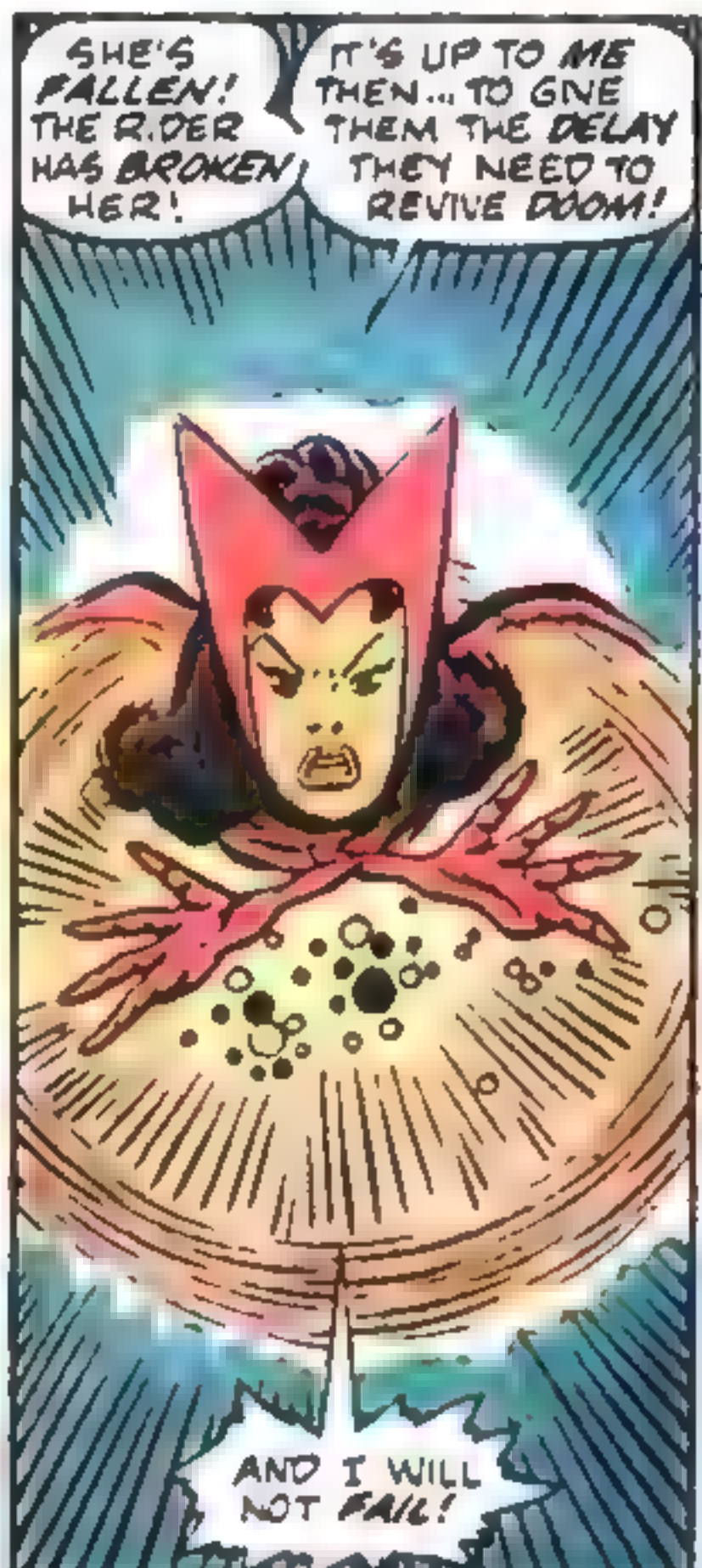
*SEE HOW ALL THE LITTLE BITS FALL INTO PLACE?--MARY.



FOR SECONDS OR MOMENTS, TIME ITSELF IS TENSED AS THE BUBBLE SMATTERS BEFORE THE AWESOME ASSAULT...

...AND THEN MOON-DRAGON SCREAMS A THIRD TIME AS THE MIND-LOCK IS BROKEN...

...AND SHE FALLS TO HER KNEES ...HER MIND REELING BENEATH THE AWFUL WEIGHT OF TIME.



SHE'S FALLEN! THE RIDER HAS BROKEN HER!

IT'S UP TO ME THEN... TO GIVE THEM THE DELAY THEY NEED TO REVIVE DOOM!

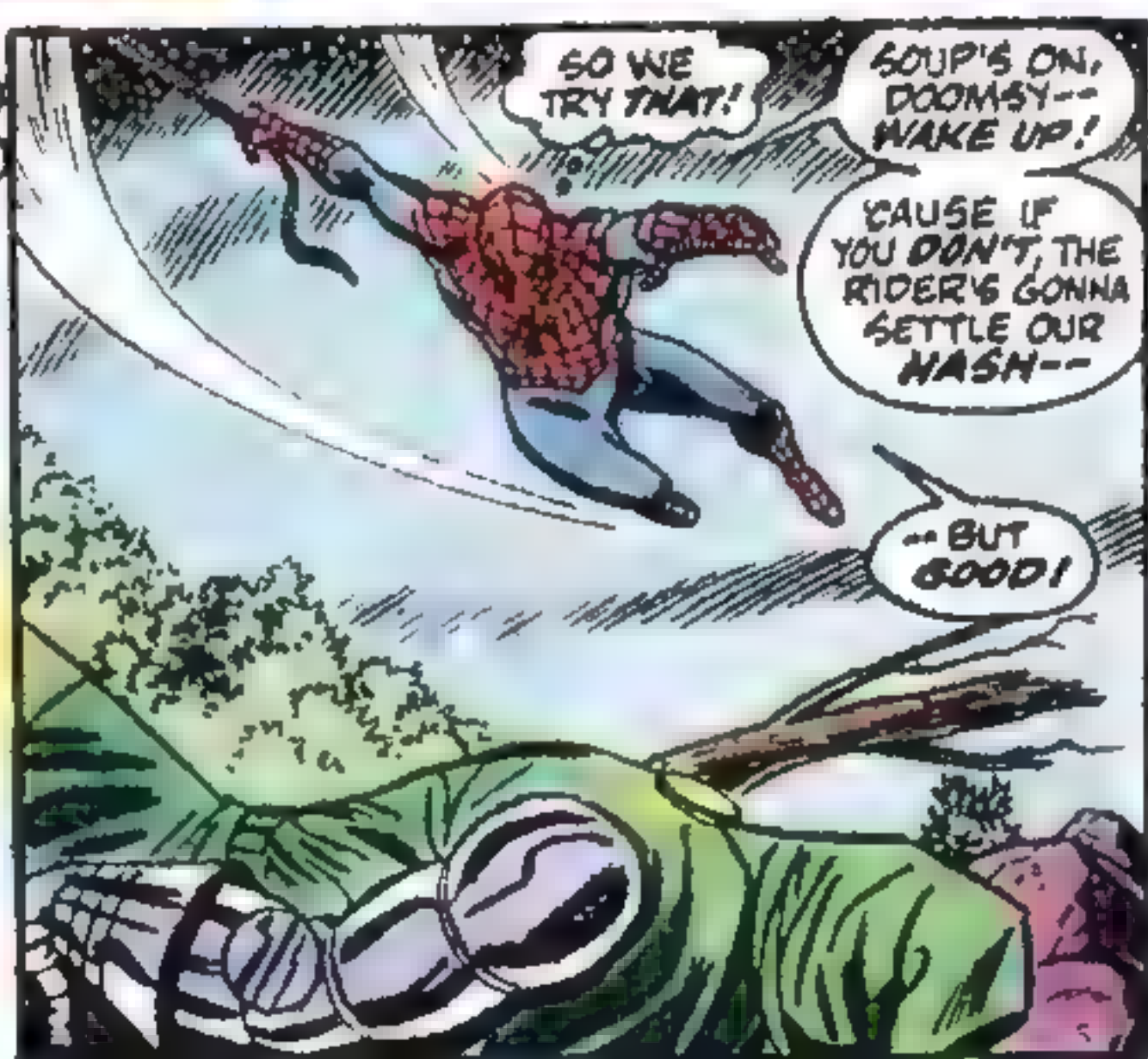
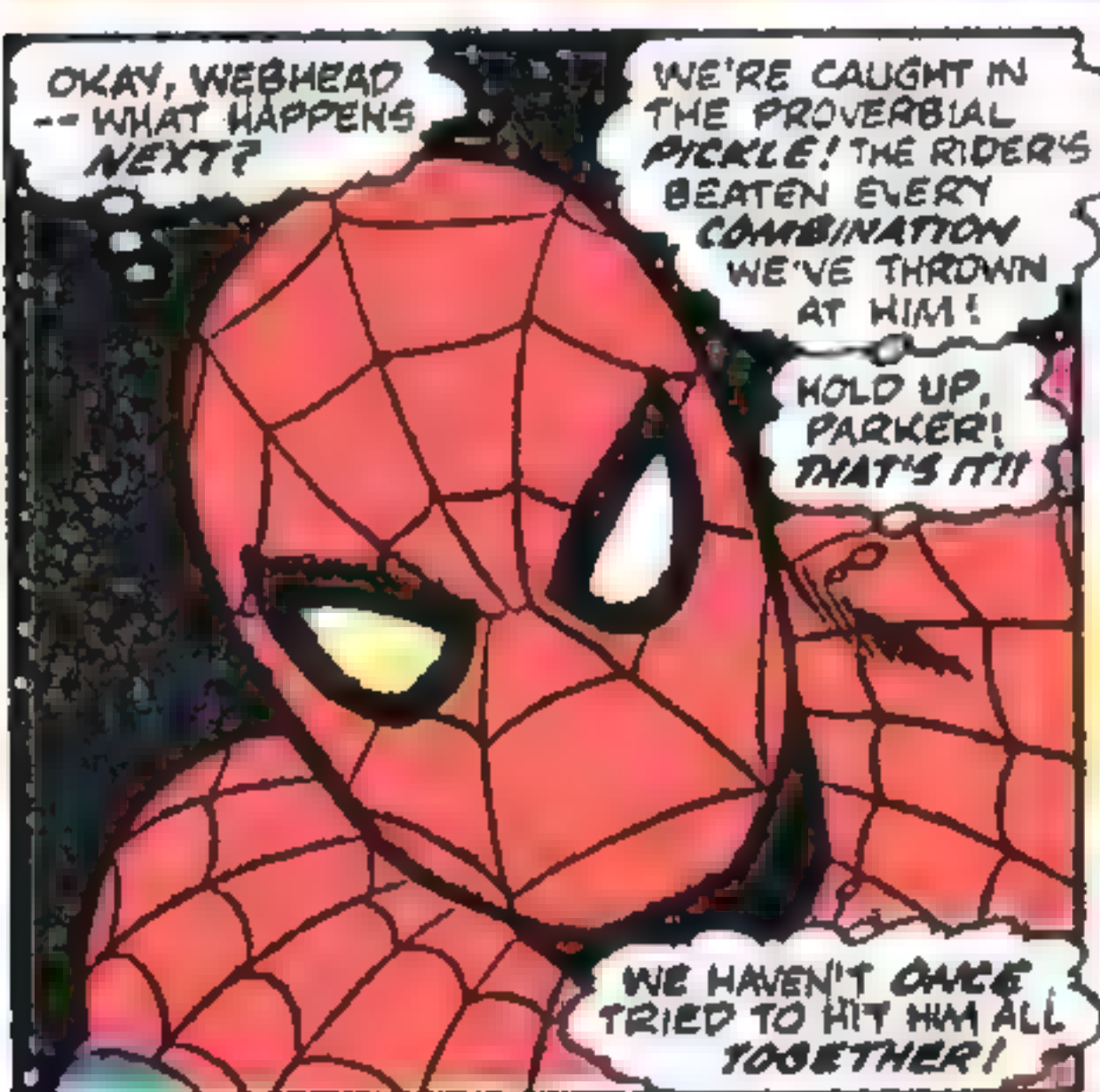
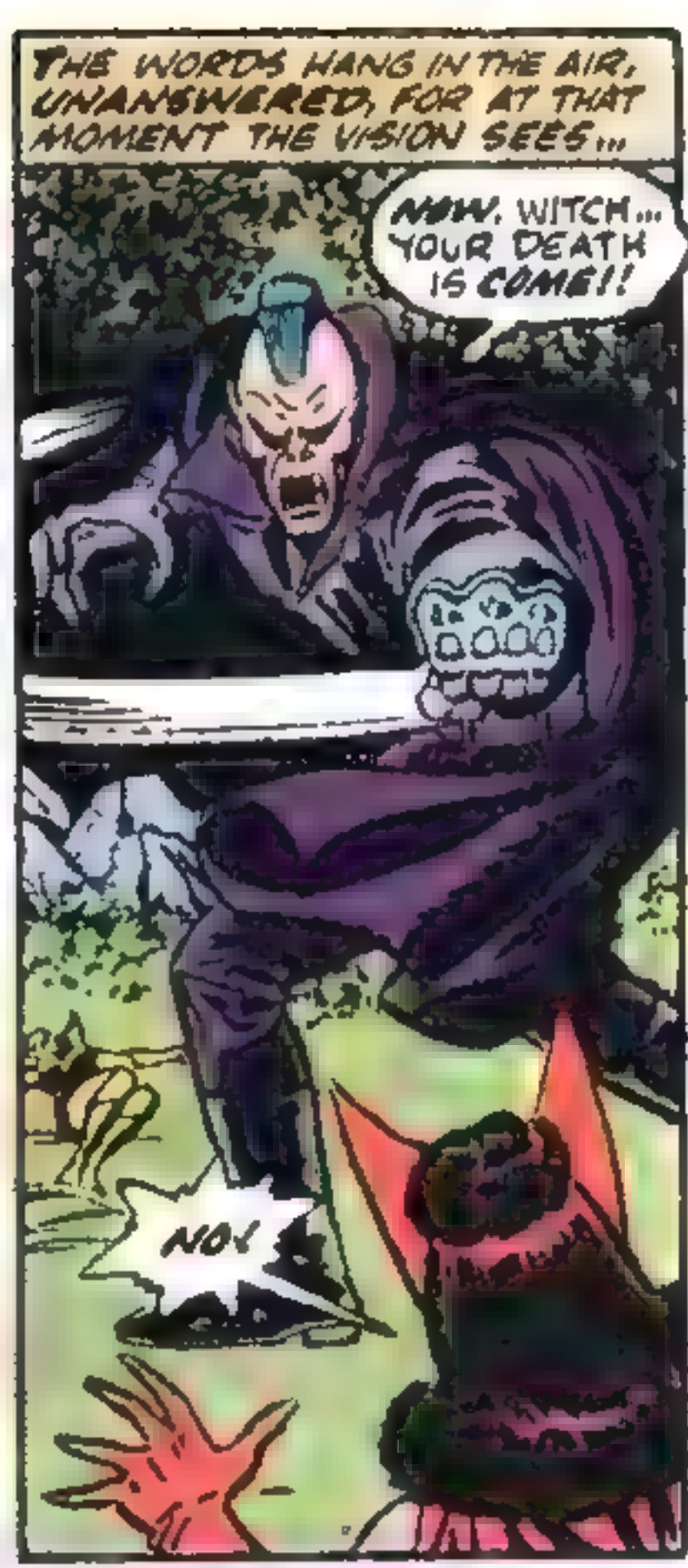
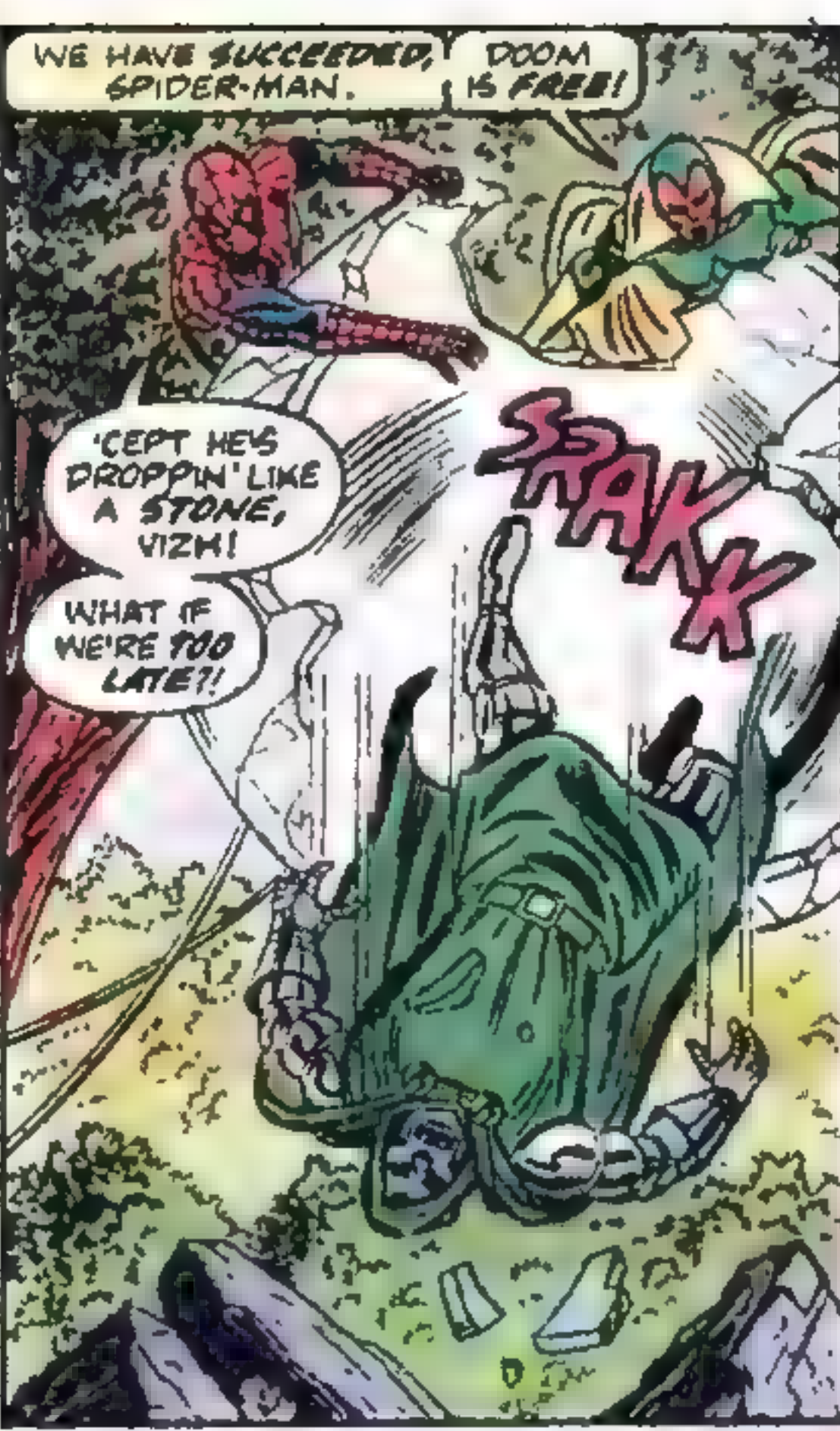
AND I WILL NOT FAIL!



YOU HAVE FAILED ALREADY, WITCH!

I AM PAST THE FULLEST EXTENT OF YOUR POWER NOW--

-- I WILL MERELY STRIP IT FROM YOU AND ADD IT TO THE REST!!







AS A CERTAIN
THUNDER GOD
WOULD SAY, SPIDER-
MAN--
-- SO BE IT!!

THE RIDER
REELS...

... AND TURNS, SEEKING
ESCAPE FROM THE VISION...



... ONLY TO BE STRUCK
FROM ANOTHER SOURCE...



... THE SCARLET
WITCH.

HOW DOES
IT FEEL,
RIDER--

-- TO BE
HUMBLED
AS YOU HAVE
HUMBLED
OTHERS?



OKAY, LADY--
IT'S YOUR TURN!

STILL... WEAK--
BUT IF I MAY
BORROW SOME
OF YOUR MIND-
FORCE TO ADD
TO MY OWN...

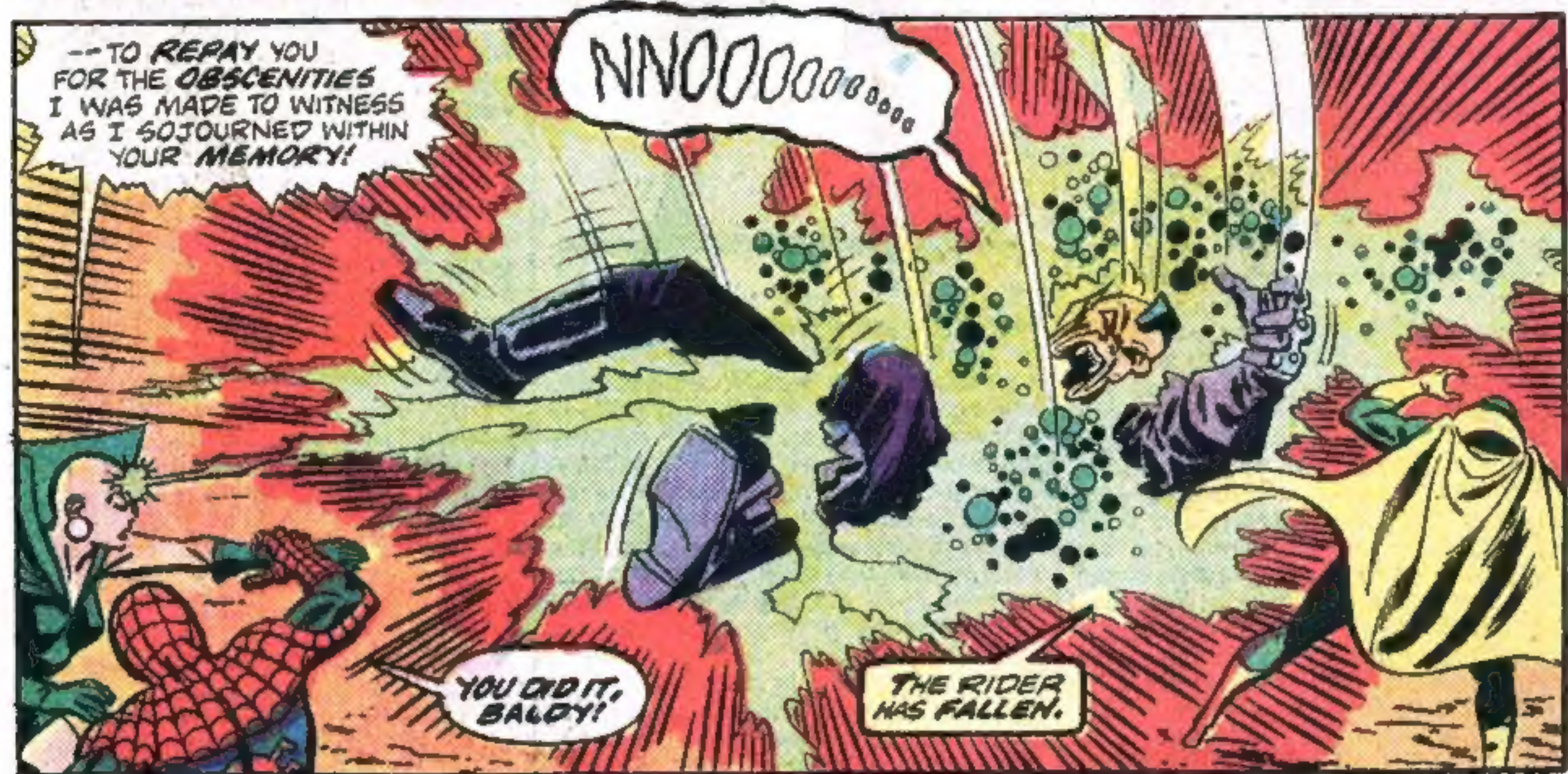
YOU GOT IT--
JUST BE SURE TO
GIVE IT BACK,
HUH?



IF I SURVIVE--
YOU SHALL HAVE IT,
SPIDER-MAN!

TURN,
RIDER--

-- FOR THIS
BLAST IS MEANT
FOR YOU--



-- TO REPAY YOU
FOR THE OBSCENITIES
I WAS MADE TO WITNESS
AS I SOJOURNED WITHIN
YOUR MEMORY!

NNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNN

YOU DID IT,
BALDY!

THE RIDER
HAS FALLEN.



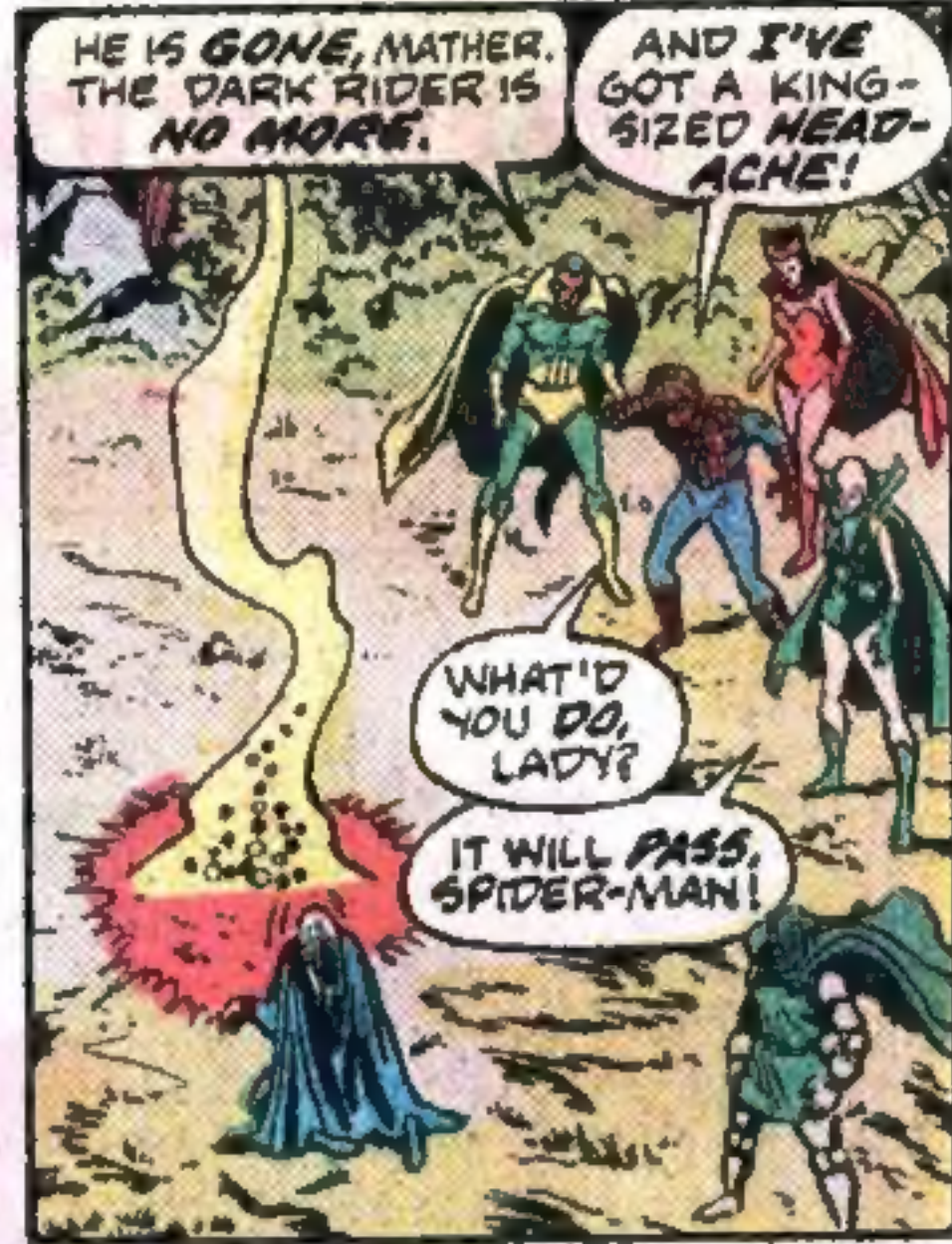
BLAZING AUREOLAS OF FORCE LASH ACROSS THE DOWNED FORM OF THE DARK RIDER...

...AND COTTON MATHER STARES INTO THE HEART OF THE INFERNO...



IN WHICH, IN SECONDS, BECOMES NAUGHT BUT COOLING ASH.

MASTER...?

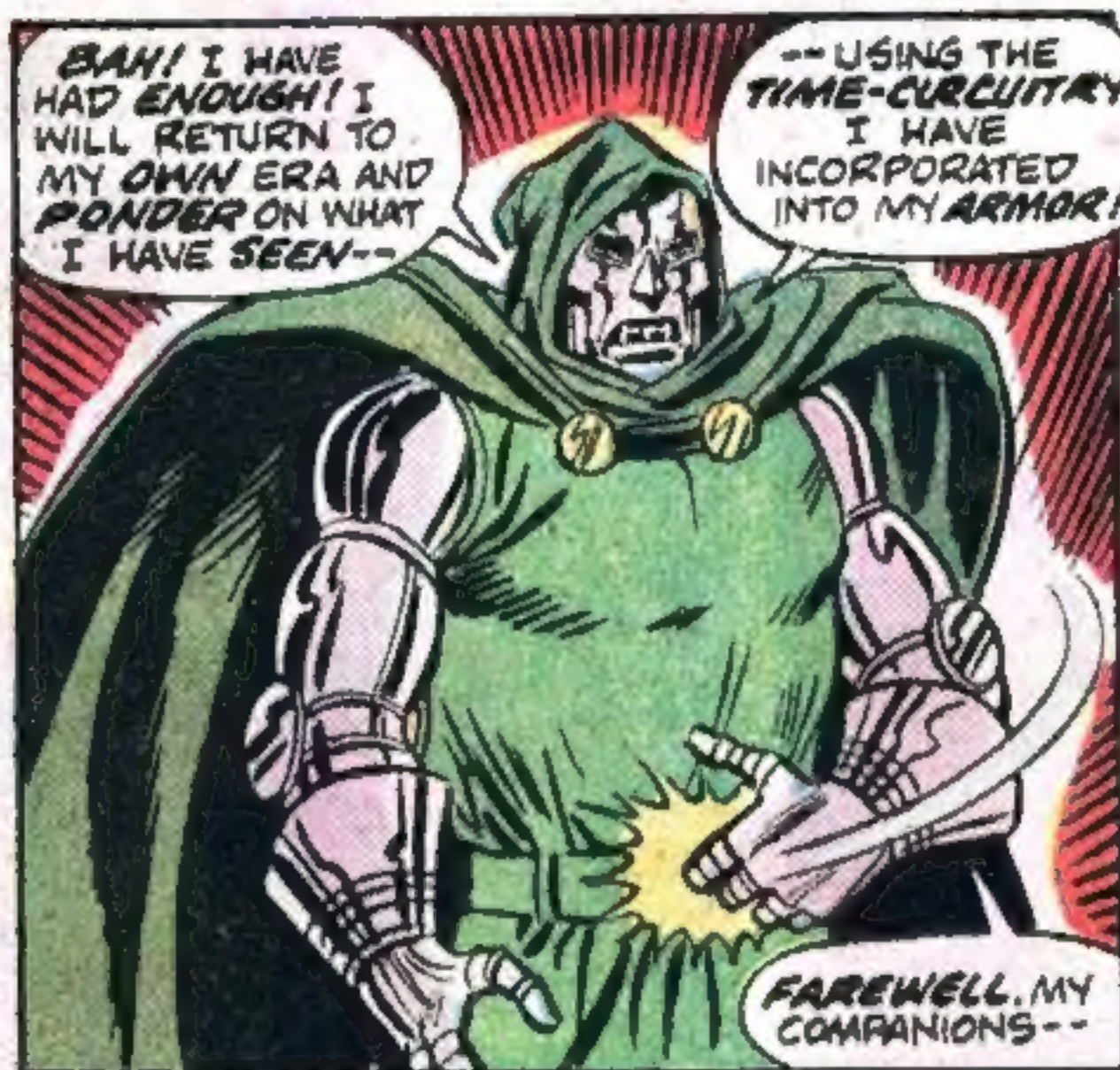


HE IS GONE, MATHER. THE DARK RIDER IS NO MORE.

AND I'VE GOT A KING-SIZED HEAD-ACHE!

WHAT'D YOU DO, LADY?

IT WILL PASS, SPIDER-MAN!



BAH! I HAVE HAD ENOUGH! I WILL RETURN TO MY OWN ERA AND PONDER ON WHAT I HAVE SEEN--

-- USING THE TIME-CIRCUITRY I HAVE INCORPORATED INTO MY ARMOR!

FAREWELL, MY COMPANIONS--



-- WHEN NEXT WE MEET--

-- IT WILL BE AS FOES!

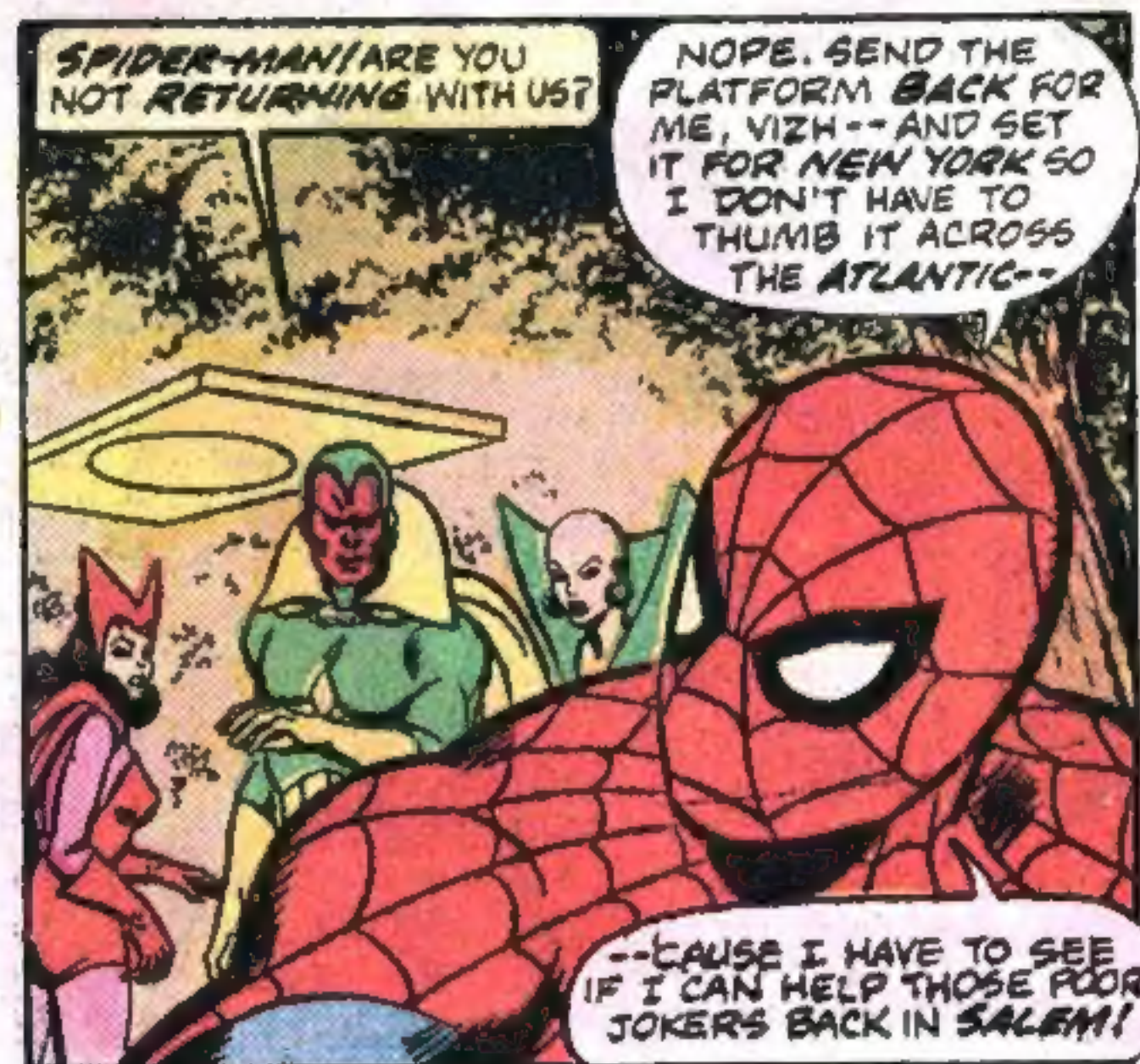


Y'KNOW-- A WHILE BACK, DOOM OFFERED THAT ME AN' HIM SHOULD BE PARTNERS--

-- AND EVERY TIME I THINK ABOUT HOW I JOKED MY WAY OUT OF IT--

-- I GET THE WORST CASE OF THE SHAKES!

*SPIDER-MAN
*S-- MARV.



SPIDER-MAN! ARE YOU NOT RETURNING WITH US?

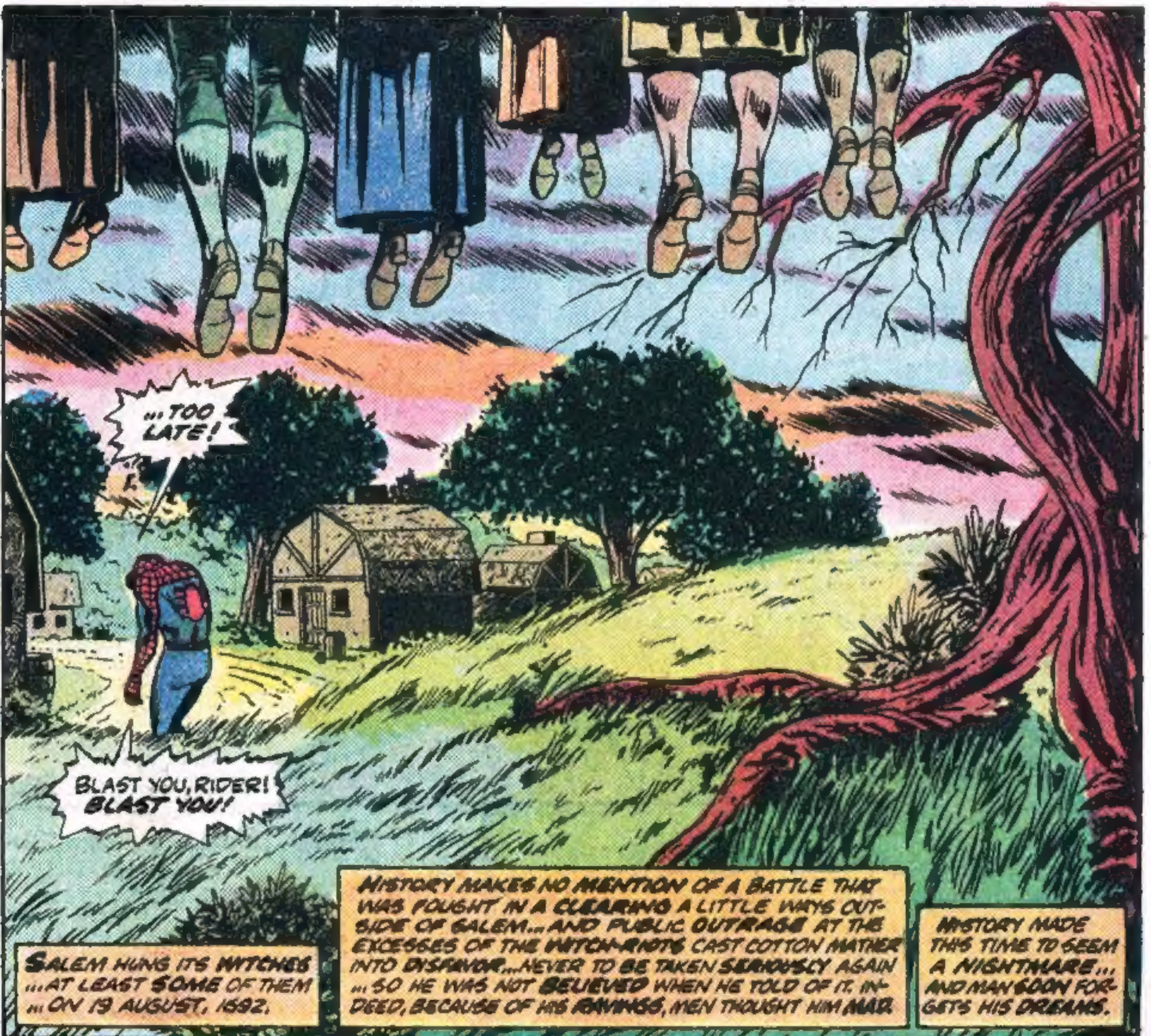
NOPE. SEND THE PLATFORM BACK FOR ME, VIZH-- AND SET IT FOR NEW YORK SO I DON'T HAVE TO THUMB IT ACROSS THE ATLANTIC--

-- CAUSE I HAVE TO SEE IF I CAN HELP THOSE POOR JOKERS BACK IN SALEM!



WE WISH YOU LUCK, MY FRIEND!

THANKS, VIZH-- I CAN USE IT!



KILL RAVEN **WARRIOR** **DON'T MISS IT!**
OF THE WORLDS!